

## EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Four opponents are now dividing the opposition to Col. Loving Gaines.

Stanley speaks at Elkton Tuesday, Trenton that night and Princeton and Fredonia Wednesday.

T. W. Stair, of Owenton, Ind., celebrated his 99th birthday May 22, and bids fair to round out the century.

Considering the fact that George Gary's Tipperary parody was an Irish song to be sung in a Dutch town, it made a famous hit.

Retail merchants of Lexington have signed an agreement to close their stores at 5 p. m. during July and August, excepting Saturday.

A new candidate entered the lists for lieutenant governor Thursday, when Jas. P. Edwards, of Louisville, filed his petition as a Democratic candidate.

Builders and real estate men of Chester, Pa., have been notified by agents of the Baldwin Locomotive Works and of the Remington Arms Company that at least 2,000 additional houses will be needed for the families of workmen to be brought there to fill orders from the European countries at war. Representatives of the two corporations say that by November the Remington company would employ 15,000 men here and the Baldwin company 8,000. The Remington concern announced that it had sufficient orders on hand to keep its new plant busy for two years.

The Germans threw 36 tons of 16 inch shells into Dunkirk Thursday from monster guns 20 miles away, so far that no sound was heard from the guns. The bombardment continued all night. Most of the inhabitants were in the cellars designated as places of refuge, under large buildings. Several people were killed, but the material damage was not of military importance.

Stating that he believes the democratic party in Kentucky is facing a crisis, J. W. Newman, commissioner agriculture, Wednesday issued a card announcing his withdrawal from the democratic gubernatorial contest. After canvassing forty counties, Mr. Newman says, he finds that anti-prohibitionists are supporting "the wettest of the wets," while temperance advocates are supporting the "driest of the dries." Mr. Newman says he does not want to imperil his party's chances in November by remaining in the race and splitting the dry vote. His statement indicates that he fears the nomination of a "wet" democrat will mean defeat in November. His following in the contest was not large enough to have any important bearing on the result. The farmer vote to which he appealed, is now likely to go to Stanley, who is recognized as the especial champion of the farmers.

Robert Lansing, who as counselor of the state department, has advised President Wilson in law and precedent in the policy pursued by the United States toward belligerent governments since the outbreak of the European war, was named Thursday secretary of state to succeed William Jennings Bryan. Few appointments in recent years have given such widespread satisfaction in the national capital. Mr. Lansing is a life-long democrat, but he has devoted his time to international law and diplomacy, and is as popular with former republican officials as with his colleagues. Members of the cabinet and close personal friends of the President advised the selection, and Mr. Bryan himself, although not consulted, is understood to have hoped for the promotion of Mr. Lansing. For many years Mr. Lansing, who is a man of considerable means, has lived here with his father-in-law, John W. Foster, secretary of state under President Harrison. Mrs. Lansing is one of the popular members of the official and diplomatic set, having breathed the atmosphere of diplomacy since childhood. They have no children.

## GERMANY TO AGREE

To Regard Safety of Passengers in Attack on Vessels at Sea.

HOPED SOLUTION TO SATISFY.

Expected That U. S. Will See That Ships Carry No Ammunition.

Berlin, via London, June 25.—There are good prospects that the forthcoming German note to the United States will go a long way toward meeting the American government's wishes regarding Germany's conduct of the submarine warfare and making passenger traffic on the high seas safe.

While it is stated that submarine action against hostile merchantmen will not and cannot be abandoned entirely, it is increasingly probable that the German note will embody some proposals to exempt ships employed wholly or principally in passenger traffic from submarine attack.

Such ships, it is said, of course, would be subject to stoppage and examination by submarines in accordance with the practice in vogue prior to the present war and to capture if carrying contraband, but the regular rules of the prize law, particularly regarding the safety of passengers and crews, would be observed.

It is hoped here that such a solution will satisfy the requirements of President Wilson's note. It is hoped and expected here and among those who are working for a friendly settlement of the situation between Germany and the United States that the United States would see that such passenger ships were not used to transport ammunition and guns nor lend themselves to attacks upon submarines.

## TWO NEW LIEUTENANTS

For Company D. In Persons of Alvin Clark and Riley Butler.

Several changes in Company D. were announced this week, new officers being appointed to existing vacancies in anticipation of the coming encampment at Owensboro from July 14 to 22. Sergeant Alvin H. Clark has been promoted to first lieutenant and regimental sergeant Riley B. Butler to second lieutenant. These places have been vacant since the resignations of Lieutenant Jewell Smith and Gabe Long.

Both of the appointees are experienced soldiers, Lieut. Butler having filled the same office once before. He was one of the picked men who did scout duty during the "night rider" service in 1908. Lieut. Clark has been a non-commissioned officer for several years. They will be valuable assistants to Capt. Henry J. Stites, the trio making a corps of high class officers. Another change is the assignment of quartermaster sergeant Cecil P. Armstrong to the duties of first sergeant, in recognition of his faithful and loyal service for several years.

The Company will take 70 men to Owensboro in a high state of efficiency.

Thaw's Chance For Recovery.

New York, June 23.—Harry K. Thaw's seventh attempt to gain his freedom since his arrest nine years ago for the murder of Stanford White was begun here yesterday with the selection of a jury to inquire as to his sanity. If the jurors decide in Thaw's favor and Justice Hendrick, presiding, who has the power to reverse their verdict, accepts it, Thaw will obtain permanent release from Matteawan insane asylum.

## MUCH TALK BUT LITTLE DONE

Great Crowd Present In Evansville But In The End a Commission of Vice Presidents Was Named To Act Later.

LOCAL BUNCH LARGELY IN EVIDENCE.

Evansville, Ind., June 25.—Nearly 1,500 delegates from towns and cities in Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Tennessee between Danville, Ill., and Nashville, Tenn., met in convention here yesterday and formed an organization known as the Dixie Bee-Line association, its object being to build an improved road from Danville to Nashville, connecting at both places with the Dixie highway.

The permanent organization did not take place until late in the afternoon, when Mayor Benjamin Bosse, of this city, who presided over the convention, was elected president, and he was empowered to name the vice president and secretary-treasurer. One vice-president was elected from each of the eighteen counties in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee, through which the road will pass. These county vice-presidents, together with the other officers of the association, will be the directors, and will determine the official route of the Dixie Bee-Line highway. The directors are to hold all meetings in Evansville, and a decision upon the official route must be made before November 1 next.

Near the close of the convention a motion was made to make Springfield, Tenn., the terminus of the Dixie Bee-Line, instead of Nashville, the claim being made that when Evansville wanted the big Dixie highway, Nashville was against this city and threw its influence in favor of Louisville, Ky. After a long wrangle, Nashville won over Springfield by a majority of one vote. There is a hot three-cornered fight among the cities and towns in southern Indiana, Kentucky and northern Tennessee over the location of the Dixie Bee-Line. Clarksville, Tenn., and Guthrie, Ky., are rivals for the road, and both cities had monster delegations here, Clarksville alone sending nearly 200 boosters. Muhlenberg county, Kentucky, is also asking for the road, and would have it strike the big Dixie highway at Russellville, Ky., thus shutting out Hopkinsville, Ky. Many of the Kentucky cities brought along their own bands and paraded the streets. The resolutions adopted by the convention asked the counties seeking the Dixie Bee-Line road to properly improve their local roads before 1917. The resolutions also declared in favor of county, state and federal aid in the building of the Danville-Nashville highway.

The following vice-presidents by counties were elected:

In Illinois—Lawrence county, A. C. Maxwell; Edgar county, Fred Ross; Vermillion county, Wm. Woodbury. In Indiana—Vanderburg county, A. C. Richards; Sullivan county, Dr. C. G. Billman; Vigo county, Mr. McKee; Vermillion county, I. M. Casover; Gibson county, E. E. Noble.

In Kentucky—Hopkins county, W. T. Mills; Christian county, R. E. Cooper; Henderson county, W. H. Soaper; Webster county, R. T. Jackson; Muhlenberg county, J. A. Gilman; Logan county, J. W. Edwards; Todd county, Judge Rogers.

In Tennessee—Robertson county, J. C. Barber; Montgomery county, J. C. Conroy.

Hopkinsville Right In It.

Hopkinsville was the center of interest and set the pace for the hundreds of delegates south of the Ohio river. The Hopkinsville special carried 350 and the Clarksville special 150 delegates. The Clarksville boosters must be given credit for the best appearance made. Their delegates were all in tan suits and straw hats and were paraded as a body, with canes and noise producing tinklers. But in enthusiasm the Kentuckians laid them in the shade. The Glee Club sang Geo. E. Gary's battle hymn from early morn till late at night and led by Garner Dalton made a howling hit. Col. W. R. Howell pulled off a sample of his fervent oratory at the first session and after that he was howled onto his feet for a speech and an encore whenever there was a dull moment and a call for time-killers. He was easily the orator pre-eminent of the vast crowd. Here is one of his flights:

"It is delightful to look into the faces of so great a representative body of men from four great states, with one common aim—one ambition. That aim, that ambition to build up the great thoroughfares of the country. It is especially delightful to witness the splendid delegation from the state of Jackson, Johnson and Taylor greeting the delegation from the State of Lincoln and Douglas. To see the delegates from the state of Clay, Crittenden, James and Stanley in sweet fellowship with the state of Hendricks and Harrison. I do trust to God that this harmonious meeting will be the harbinger of the everlasting blotting out of the Mason and Dixon line and in its stead, one flag, one common people, one common aim, hope and destiny. And with the great pilot at the mast head of the old ship of State, we can with one voice and one heart proclaim peace on earth and good will toward all men. It has been writ that the Gospel was first preached at Jerusalem. It is also writ this day that the gospel of the Bee Line thoroughfare is first preached in Evansville. The glorious prospects of better things, a better era to dawn on this sun-kissed country, when the thrif and energy of the north can be sent to the south and the warm life blood of the south can love the people of the north."

One trouble was that all of the local orators could not be heard for lack of time, but the Glorious Fourth is close at hand.

The special train returned late at night, leaving the exact location of the line matter for future action by the county representatives. The one certain thing is that there will be no Bee Line that does not pass through Hopkinsville. Of the 65 Hopkinsville people present, about 20 lined up with Clarksville but no bad feeling prevailed when the delegation carried out its pledges to Pembroke and Guthrie.

The following 10 delegates were named to cast the vote of Christian county: M. C. Forbes, W. T. Cooper, W. R. Howell, D. T. Cranor, W. E. Keith, C. W. Garrett, T. C. Underwood and R. E. Cooper. They voted as a unit on most matters.

## CONTINUED TILL OCTOBER

Peterson Damage Suit Called Thursday and Was Continued.

AFFIDAVITS BY BOTH SIDES.

Plaintiff Announced Ready But Defendant Was Sick In Bed.

The case of Mrs. Bernis Peterson vs. Mrs. Louise Jones Peterson was called in Circuit Court Thursday morning before noon and attorneys for the defense filed two affidavits, one alleging that Mrs. Peterson had been sick in bed for several days suffering with a threatened attack of fever and complications resulting from an injury to her back, and was unable to appear in court and asking for a continuance for this and other reasons. The other affidavit was by her physician, Dr. T. W. Perkins, setting forth that her illness was such that she could not leave her bed to attend court.

The plaintiff's attorneys asked for time to prepare a counter affidavit, which was filed at one o'clock, denying the genuineness of the defendant's illness and a motion was made that three disinterested physicians be appointed by the court to examine her. It was also alleged that proof would be made that she had declared that she would never go into court in the case. A lengthy argument followed the filing of these papers. Attorneys for the defendant vehemently protesting against the motion made by plaintiff as a reflection on them and their client. A legal question was also raised that Mrs. Bernis Peterson had refused last February to give a deposition concerning her suit for damages and by reason of that fact the defense was unprepared to meet her charges. A decision was read bearing on this point that raised what the court said would be a "legal barrier" to a trial at this time. Attorney Russell for the plaintiff said the same barrier would exist at future courts, this being the second court since the refusal. Judge Hanbery in continuing the case at the cost of the defendant said but for the defendant's refusal to depose he would set the case for trial next week, but that would not give time for preparation even if the disposition demanded should be made today, as witnesses from Utica, N. Y., might have to be called upon to testify. He said further that the same reason would not be accepted another court unless there was another refusal to depose.

The plaintiff sat in the court room during the proceedings with her mother, Mrs. Greene, and little daughter, Jane Peterson. The other side was represented only by attorneys. A large crowd was in the courtroom.

Another case of importance has decided just before the Peterson case was taken up. It was the damage suit of Mrs. Flora Wilkins vs. the city of Hopkinsville growing out of the Fourth street sewer that flows into a ravine in the rear of her property on Fifth street. The claim was made that the sewer was unsanitary and a detriment to her property. The jury was out only a short while, finding for the city.

In the damage suit of Edward Adams vs. Dr. G. W. Loran for \$1,000, the jury found for the defendant on peremptory instructions. Adam's mule became scared at Dr. Loran's automobile and ran off.

C. R. Boyd vs. L. & N. Railroad, judgment for plaintiff for \$200 for a mule killed.

G. J. Kirkman vs. C. M. Gibson & Son, continued.

Douglas Bell vs. Lilly A. Troendle, thrown out on peremptory instructions.

J. A. Ledford vs. Mrs. Anna P. Coleman, on trial.

The Grand jury adjourned at noon Thursday, after returning a total of 35 indictments. None of the last batch was of much importance.

## RUSSIANS FALL BACK

New Drive by Germans Against Warsaw is Expected By Many.

COAST ATTACK ON BELGIANS.

Intense Recruiting Campaign is Inaugurated in Great Britain.

London, June 25.—The Russians still are retreating in the east, the French are slowly gaining at certain points in the west.

With the fires set by the retreating Russians still burning, the Austro-Germans are now firmly established at Lemberg and have shown no sign of ceasing their offensive.

The battle of the Dniester, south of the city, is not over, but, according to Berlin, General Linsingen has been able to throw his forces across the river, a fact which is taken in some quarters to presage another Russian defeat.

With Galicia all but cleared of Russians, the weight of Austro-German forces released in that theater must soon be felt somewhere, but opinions are divided as to whether it will be on the western front, or in Poland. One theory is that the Germans will launch against Warsaw another terrific attack. This coincides with the belief that it is the Austro-German plan to batter Russia more before turning west.

Opposed to this are reports that troops from Galicia already are journeying westward and that Germany plans to start a fresh campaign along the Belgian coast.

Lemberg is celebrating the return of the Austrians and Vienna has not ceased her revelry at the recapture of the city. Petrograd meanwhile continues to depreciate the military importance of the achievement, professing confidence that it will have no bearing on the ultimate outcome of the war.

The first day of David Lloyd-George's appeal for munitions workers seems to indicate that an adequate number is being enrolled. The whole country is in the throes of a recruiting campaign more intense than any previous appeal for fighters at the front.

## GLORIOUS 4TH A DAY AHEAD

Will Be Celebrated at Cerulean With Old Time Styles.

Cerulean, Ky., June 25.—There will be an old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration at Cerulean Springs July 3, with speaking in the forenoon by candidates, a barbecue dinner at noon and a big dance at night. All of the candidates except those for governor have been invited and many have accepted. The candidates for Commonwealth's attorney are especially invited.

Wm. Wallace, son of Alex. Wallace, of Dallas, Tex., is expected to visit his father this week.

Miss Lora Goodwin, of Louisville, who has been at Peabody School; Miss Lucile Goodwin, who has been at Bowling Green Normal School; and Earl Goodwin, a student in the Bowling Green High School, are at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Major Goodwin. The young ladies will teach in the Louisville schools.

Tennis and Boyd Nichols are home from the Masonic Orphans Home visiting their mother, Mrs. Chula Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. White are visiting friends near Birmingham, Ala.

A Daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Shipp, at the home of Mrs. Shipp's parents in Princeton, Thursday, a twelve pound girl.